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### NATIONAL LEAGUE SCHEDULE.

#### Season Opens April 15 and Closes September 27—Holiday Games.

New York, March 4.—The schedule of the National Baseball league was published today. The opening and closing dates of the season are as follows:  
Boston—April 26; Sept. 8.  
New York—April 18; Sept. 7.  
Brooklyn—April 21; Sept. 10.  
Philadelphia—April 17; Sept. 10.  
Pittsburgh—April 21; Sept. 26.  
Chicago—April 21; Sept. 27.  
Cincinnati—April 16; Sept. 27.  
St. Louis—April 15; Sept. 27.  
Holiday games:  
Memorial Day—At Brooklyn, New York, Pittsburg, and Chicago.  
Fourth of July—At Pittsburg, Chicago, Cincinnati, and St. Louis.  
Labor Day—At Boston, Brooklyn, morning; New York afternoon, Pittsburg, and Cincinnati.

### Champions.

Milwaukee, Wis., March 4.—The entries of the Central association of the Amateur Union of Championships, March 7, was given out this evening. The list comprises four hundred and among the institutions represented are Milwaukee Athletic Club, First Regiment Athletic Association, Chicago University of Chicago, Minnesota, Illinois, Wisconsin, Detroit Athletic Association, Detroit college and several high schools and academies.

### Lumbermen Can't Agree.

Washington, March 4.—The wholesale and retail lumber dealers in session here have not yet reached an agreement on the question of admitting the wholesalers' right to sell in particular localities. Today's meeting was almost entirely given up to the consideration of this question. The secretary of the national association reports the total membership 222.

## REVOLUTIONS OF TO-DAY—THE RURAL DELIVERY



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## THE RAINEY RESOLUTION

REGARDING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CANAL RECEIVES FRIENDLY ACTION.

### THE DENTISTRY BILL KILLED

An Amendment to the Money Shark Bill Practically Defeats Its Purpose.

Springfield, March 4.—Senator Rainey's resolution declaring it the sense of the senate that the Illinois and Michigan canal be given no more appropriations and that it be made into a public highway was referred to the senate committee on canals and rivers this morning. Apparently the action is friendly and means that the senate later will take it up in due form and good faith and the probability is that it will pass. At all events there is a general feeling that the canal appropriation of \$199,000 is done for in the senate. The Rainey resolution came up in the ordinary course. Senator Humphrey moved that it be referred and the vote came on the motion to table that motion.

### Dentistry Bill Killed.

The bill for the regulation of the practice of dentistry in the state which Senator Clark has been working for failed of passage this morning. There has been considerable opposition to the measure all along especially in that portion which gives the state the right to appeal in cases brought against persons violating the provisions of the measure.

The senate passed the bill appropriating \$5,000 for the deficit in the public binding fund and \$500 per annum for the Illinois Firemen's Association.

### That Loan Shark Bill.

There was much talk of action taken with respect to the bill to prevent the bringing of actions on transfers of wages—in other words, the anti-loan-shark bill affecting many interests in Chicago. Yesterday an amendment was offered to the bill on second reading providing that no assignments or transfers of wages should be legal which were not accepted by employees within ten days after they were made. This morning the bill was recalled from third to second reading and this amendment was stricken out. It is said that the loan sharks of Chicago organized and made up a sum of money to be used in fighting this measure in its amended form and that the action this morning was taken in obedience to their wishes. An amendment to the bill is in the force.

### Senator Barry's Bill.

Senator Barry's bill to do away with the special attorneys for the several state boards and departments was advanced from the second to third reading.

### Barber Bill.

The barber bill creating a board of examiners afforded the house an opportunity for a great deal of horse

play this morning. The measure was riddled, shot to pieces and then sent back to the license committee.

## WANT DANVILLE COAL FIELD

English Syndicate Seeks Purchase of Thirty Thousand Acres in Eastern Illinois.

### AN OPTION HAS BEEN GIVEN.

New York, March 4.—A syndicate of English capitalists is seeking to acquire coal fields in the Danville section of Illinois with an idea of shipping coal to England. One possible result of the purchase if effected will be the construction of another railroad from Danville to Chicago, 125 miles and shortening the route fifty miles compared with that of the Chicago and Eastern Railroad. This branch would connect the "Big Four" system at Chicago and give that company a through line from that city to Cairo and from there to the Gulf.

### John A. Andrews.

John A. Andrews, representative of the syndicate before going on board of the Celtic today admitted he had options, but declined to go into details. The deal covers the purchase of nearly thirty thousand acres of coal lands.

### INSTIGATED THE CRIME

Peter Yorkins Arrested for Complicity in the Murder of Taylor at Monticello, New York.

### BRIBED WIFE TO KILL HUSBAND

Monticello, N. Y., March 4.—Peter Yorkins, uncle of Mrs. Kate Taylor, now awaiting trial here for the murder of her husband, was arraigned today for a preliminary hearing charged with complicity in the murder in having instigated the woman to commit the crime.

### A Daughter of the woman says.

"Last September, mamma and I went to see Peter Yorkins and mamma and he had a long conversation. I only heard part of what they said, but I heard him say to her, 'If you will kill Taylor and get him out of the way I will buy the Benson farm and give you the deed.'"

### MURDERED IN MEXICO.

#### American Named for Cadetship Meets Violent End.

Mexico City, Mex., March 4.—John Week, an American, was murdered today near Zamota. The details are unknown. He was a son of A. R. Week, a banker and a wealthy lumber dealer of Stevens Point, Wis. He had just graduated from the Armour Institute and was named by Senator Spooner for a cadetship in Annapolis naval academy.

### Dropped the Star.

Princeton, N. J., March 4.—The Princeton university track team received a severe blow today when the faculty announced that R. E. Williams, winner of the mile run in the indoors, winner of the mile run in the outdoors and runner-up in his required studies at the mid-year examinations, was the only prominent athlete among the 53 students dropped from the rolls.

## THE PAST YEAR IN GERMANY

HAS BEEN ONE OF OVER PRODUCTION, COLLAPSE AND PANIC GENERALLY.

### SOME LINES ARE IMPROVED

Exports to United States Show Big Improvement Especially in Iron Products.

Washington, Mar. 4.—Revealing Germany's commercial record for the year Consul General Mason, at Berlin, declares that while few branches of manufacturing and trade experienced partial recovery the year as a whole belonged to a period of over production, collapse and panic which began in 1900 and has caused the condition still prevalent, wherein prices of food and raw materials are above all log at relation to the market values of finished products.

### The banks dividends improved decidedly.

Textile industries also make a favorable showing. Iron and steel are still depressed though somewhat relieved by shipments to the United States.

Referring to German trade with the United States the consul general calls attention to the notable increase in German exports to this country, amounting to \$1,878,770. The greatest increase was at Düsseldorf, whose exports to the United States rose from \$1,277,553 in 1901 to \$4,089,356 last year. Due wholly to the increased export of iron products during the last four months 1902.

### CRASHED INTO SMOKER.

Collision on Rock Island at Kansas City Injures Dozen People.

Kansas City, Mo., March 4.—An outgoing Rock Island train tonight crashed into a smoker of an incoming train that was trying to make a sliding stop outside of the Kansas City yards. The smoke was blown from the track, turned over and smashed into kindling wood. A dozen or more persons inside were injured, but no one was killed.

### W. M. Russell, of Preston, Ia., probably fatally injured.

### FAIL TO AGREE.

Miners and Operators of Illinois Adjourn Without Settling Scale.  
Springfield, March 4.—The joint conference committee of miners and operators adjourned tonight without having reached definite conclusion. Resolutions to be embodied in the agreement which is to govern operators and miners for the ensuing year were adopted without material changes from those now in force. The joint committee reports to the convention tomorrow.

### Two Negroes to Hang.

Jefferson City, Mo., March 4.—Supreme court today sentenced Henry Wilson and Bud Gray, negroes, to hang in St. Louis April 6.

## CHINESE REBELS REVENGED

Man Who Informed on Them Lived But Short Time to Enjoy Reward.

### BODY FOUND BADLY MUTILATED.

Victoria, B. C., March 4.—Mail advices from Hong Kong tell of the death of the informant who warned the police of the projected movement against Canton. He was paid a thousand taels for the information, but did not live long to enjoy them, for his body was found hacked to pieces, his ears being cut off and body otherwise mutilated. The men arrested at Hong Kong for complicity in the plot were released after being held a week owing to the lack of evidence. At Canton the prisoners fared worse, several being beheaded and six subjected to prolonged torture.

The Hong Kong Telegraph published a dispatch from Canton saying that 500 imperial troops recently dispatched from Canton were ambushed by the rebels at Yang Ning Pass. The troops carried considerable ammunition and military supplies for the garrison of Chi Yuen, which fell into the hands of the rebels. After the encounter with the rebels and subsequent flight of the imperial troops, many soldiers deserted.

### THE WESTERN RAILWAYS WORRIED ABOUT PASSES

#### Passenger Association Will Consider the Question Today.

Chicago, March 4.—The western railway managements are in a quandary regarding what action to take with reference to annual passes issued and sent shippers before the passage of the Elkins law. Many thousands of such passes are outstanding and the opinion is that their use is illegal, and will subject both railroads and users to a fine for violations of the act. It is thought the interstate commerce commission will not refrain from including the outstanding annual passes when they begin to investigate matters.

### STAND BY DEMURRER.

Beef Trust Will Not Recede from Position Taken.  
Chicago, March 4.—The "beef trust" has decided to stand by its demurrer to the allegations made against it by the federal government when cases against the packers were begun several months ago and will appeal from the decision overruling it. This alternative was chosen in preference to hearing of testimony of the inner workings of the combine. It is understood the government has a voluminous supply of testimony of every sort bearing on the case and taken in all portions of the country.

### CATTLE STARVE.

#### Winter Most Trying on Ranges in Many Years.

Topeka, Kas., March 4.—Reports indicate the weather the past week has been more severe on cattle than any for several years. Thousands have perished on western plains.

Snow is so deep the grass is beyond reach of the animals, and more starved to death than were frozen. The railroads say blockade in western Kansas shows no sign of being raised for several days yet.

### EULOGIZE GROW.

#### Veteran Member of the House From Pennsylvania Retires From Senate.

Washington, March 4.—The Pennsylvania delegation adopted resolutions highly eulogistic of Galusha A. Grow, who retired from public life at the close of congress today. The resolutions recite the various important services of Grow since he entered congress nearly half a century ago, and dwell particularly upon the fact that he is the father of the free homestead law, "under which the public domain has been turned from a wilderness into a world of happy homes."

### RECLAIM THOUSANDS OF ACRES.

#### Snake River Will Be Dammed and Miles of Canal Built.

Tacoma, Wash., March 4.—Contracts have been let for the damming of the Snake River, Idaho, 65 miles above Shoshone Falls, and the building of 65 miles of canal south of the river, 25 on the north side, not including laterals, which will reclaim 300,000 acres of land under the government irrigation law. The dam will cost \$400,000 or more and the canal \$2,500,000 not including laterals.

### Cuba Will Ratify.

Havana, March 4.—The report on the reciprocity treaty with the United States was taken up by the senate this afternoon and went over until Friday afternoon after an animated debate occasioned by the efforts at filibustering by the opponents. The merits of the treaty were not discussed. It is evident the ratification will be voted by an ample majority.

### MITCHELL SPEAKS IN IOWA.

Des Moines, Ia., March 4.—John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers of America, will be here Friday to address the Iowa convention now in session. At the convention a telegram was read from Mitchell congratulating the Iowa miners on conditions in this state.

### MUST HAVE HEARING.

#### House Committee Takes Favorable Action on Injunction Bill.

Springfield, March 4.—The committee on labor of the Illinois house took favorable action tonight on a bill providing that no injunction involving a labor controversy shall be issued without a hearing after due notice is given.

## RAMSEY IN STATEMENT

SAYS THAT A STRIKE ON WABASH NOW MIGHT SPREAD AND SURPASS COAL STRIKE.

### DENIES ALLEGED CONTEMPT

#### For Laboring Men's Organization, Pointing to Instances of His Friendly Treatment of Them.

St. Louis, Mo., March 4.—President Ramsey today issued a lengthy statement addressed to the employees of the Wabash railroad and others interested, explaining his position in the present crisis. He says the crisis is a grave one, not only to the Wabash and its employees, but also to commercial and industrial interests of the country, as a strike on the Wabash would in all probability spread to a large number of other railroads and would involve not only all organizations of railway employees but other labor organizations and the result might be so serious that the great anthracite coal strike would divide into insignificance.

Ramsey then takes up the statement of Grand Master Morrissey, in which the latter said that Ramsey boasted of his contempt for labor organizations and that all efforts of the employees to meet him proved futile. Ramsey made point blank denial of his alleged contempt for labor organizations and cites several instances to show his friendship for them.

### He denies also that he ever bluffed or enjoyed the employees.

Morrissey is out with a statement tonight in which he refers in a general way to Ramsey's statement but does not discuss it. He says steps will be taken to dissolve the injunction possibly in a day or two, and that nothing will be done regarding arbitration or other questions under dispute.

### APPLICATION TO DISSOLVE INJUNCTION.

#### Will Be Made by Trainmen's Attorney Today.

"It looks as if the order of the court was pretty broad," E. T. Irwin of Peoria, Ill., attorney for the Wabash trainmen, now on the verge of a strike, made this comment concerning the injunction issued by Judge Adams. E. V. Farney of St. Louis, who is also counsel for the trainmen, refused to express any opinion concerning the court's order.

Copies of the petition were being prepared for court use for the trainmen Wednesday afternoon. Meanwhile, it is believed, there was a general consultation of attorneys and trainmen's officials concerning the employment of a St. Louis legal firm as associate counsel.

### Application to dissolve the injunction will be made to Judge Adams early Thursday morning.

A memorandum which accompanies the injunction, filed with the court, time within 15 days from date of the injunction the persons against whom it is directed may apply for its dissolution.

### ARBITRATION SUGGESTED TO OPPOSING FACTIONS.

#### Ramsey Says There Will Be Time Enough to Consider That Later.

Arbitration was suggested to the leaders in the Wabash railroad controversy Wednesday morning, naming the Industrial Board of the National Civic Commission, of which Senator M. A. Hanna is chairman.

Joseph Ramsey, Jr., said for the railroad: "When the National Civic Commission renders its services we will consider the question."

E. H. Morrissey, grand master of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, said for the men: "Our organization is committed to the policy of arbitration."

### Both gentlemen are familiar with the organization to which the suggestion is made and the Wabash trouble be submitted for arbitration.

### INJUNCTION DENIED

#### By Detroit Judge Against The Coal Exchange.

Detroit, Mich., March 4.—In the circuit court today Judge Fraser denied a petition for an injunction against the Detroit Coal Exchange so far as the respondents who were withdrawn from the exchange a few days previous to the beginning of the action were concerned. The action was brought by the state on the ground that the exchange was an unlawful combination to boost the prices.

### NO NEED OF TROOPS.

#### People of Colorado City File Protest With the Governor.

Colorado City, Colo., March 4.—A petition signed by six hundred including the mayor and city council, protesting against sending troops here on account of the strike, has been sent to Governor Peabody. The petition claims no violence has been done and that the situation is completely under the control of the proper peace officers.

### Yates Signs Sweden Relief Bill.

Springfield, March 4.—Gov. Yates today signed the bill appropriating \$5000 for the sufferers in Sweden and it is now a law.

### Weather Forecast.

Washington, May 4.—Illinois—Rain Thursday and Friday fresh northeast to east winds.

### Local Weather.

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Mr. Allison, chairman of the committee on appropriations, made a statement showing the total appropriation for the present congress was \$1,554,108,518 compared with \$1,440,489,438 for the 56th congress. He said while it appeared the appropriation of this congress have been largely in excess of those of the last congress, the increase was chiefly made up of three items, namely \$50,000,000 for the Panama canal, an increased appropriation of \$50,000,000 for the postal service, and \$17,000,000 for river and harbor appropriations. He concluded by saying the people of the country endorsed these items of increase and that the opposition political party concurred in them.

**Mason Causes Merriment.**—The remainder of the session was occupied in the discussion of the Philippine tariff bill by Messrs. Hoar, Lodge and Mason. The latter injected some humor into the proceedings by saying the statehood bill "has gone floating out on the isthmian canal."

The Allen bill stands like a first mourner in the procession of the Philippine tariff bill and also marches along in the funeral procession. The pure food and pure drink bill is also marching with the rest. All of them are going to an open grave and all of them are marked for the dead because the senate is afraid to trust its own majority to transact business. He then urged that the rules of the senate be amended and called attention to the ancient snuff boxes in the senate. There is no more snuff on the republican side than on the democratic side. It goes with the rules he said because it is part of the dignity of the senate and added much laughter. "Like the rules the snuff boxes are as unchangeable as the stars. With only a minute or two remaining before adjournment Mr. Cockrell of Missouri presented a resolution expressing appreciation of the senate of the uniform courtesy, impartiality, ability and dignity with which our president has presided over the proceedings of this senate." The resolution was agreed to amid handclapping. Mr. Fry resumed the chair and thanked the senate for its action. The senate then adjourned.

## NATIONAL LEAGUE SCHEDULE.

Season Opens April 15 and Closes September 27—Holiday Games.

New York, March 4.—The schedule of the National baseball league was published today. The opening and closing dates at various cities follow:

Boston—April 20; Sept. 8.  
New York—April 18; Sept. 7.  
Philadelphia—April 15; Sept. 10.  
Pittsburgh—April 21; Sept. 28.  
Chicago—April 21; Sept. 28.  
Cincinnati—April 16; Sept. 27.  
St. Louis—April 13; Sept. 27.  
Holiday games:  
Memorial Day—At Brooklyn, New York; Pittsburgh and Chicago.  
Fourth of July—At Pittsburgh, Chicago, Cincinnati and St. Louis.  
Labor Day—At Boston, Brooklyn, morning; New York, afternoon; Pittsburgh, and Cincinnati.

## Champions

Milwaukee, Wis., March 4.—The entries of the central association of the Amateur Union of Championships, March 7, was given out this evening. The list comprises four hundred and among the institutions represented are: Milwaukee Athletic Club; First Regiment Athletic Association, Chicago; University of Chicago, Minnesota, Illinois, Wisconsin, Detroit Athletic Association, Detroit college and several high schools and academies.

## Lumbermen Can't Agree.

Washington, March 4.—The whole-sale and retail lumber dealers in session here have not yet reached an agreement on the question of admitting the wholesalers' right to sell in particular localities. Today's meeting was almost entirely given up to the consideration of this question. The secretary of the national association reports the total membership 312.

## REVOLUTIONS OF TO-DAY—THE RURAL DELIVERY



RECEIVING THE DECATUR HERALD

## THE RAINEY RESOLUTION

REGARDING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CANAL RECEIVES FRIENDLY ACTION.

## THE DENTISTRY BILL KILLED

### An Amendment to the Money Shark Bill Practically Defeats Its Purpose.

Springfield, March 4.—Senator Rainey's resolution declaring it the sense of the senate that the Illinois and Michigan canal be given no more appropriations and that no be made into a public highway was referred to the senate committee on canals and rivers this morning. Apparently the action is friendly and means that the senate later will take it up in due form and good faith and the probabilities are that it will pass. At all events there is a general feeling that the canal appropriation of \$200,000 is done for in the senate. The Rainey resolution came up in the ordinary course. Senator Humphrey moved that it be referred and the vote came on the motion to table that motion.

### Dentistry Bill Killed.

The bill for the regulation of the practice of dentistry in the state which Senator Clark has been working for failed of passage this morning. There has been considerable opposition to the measure all along especially to that portion which gives the state the right to appeal in cases brought against persons violating the provisions of the measure.

The senate passed the bill appropriating \$5,000 for the deficit in the public building fund and \$500 per annum for the Illinois Foremen's Association.

### That Loan Shark Bill.

There was rather peculiar action taken with respect to the bill to prevent the bringing of actions on transfers of wages—in other words, the anti-loan-shark bill affecting many interests in Chicago. Yesterday an amendment was offered to the bill on second reading providing that no assignments or transfer of wages should be legal which were not accepted by employees within ten days after they were made. This morning the bill was recalled from third to second reading and this amendment was stricken out. It is said that the loan sharks of Chicago organized and made up a sum of money to be used in fighting this measure in its amended form and that the action this morning was taken in obedience to their wishes. An amendment to the bill is of little force.

### Special Attorney Bill.

Senator Berry's bill to do away with the special attorneys for the several state boards and departments was advanced from the second to third reading.

### Barber Bill.

The barber bill creating a board of examiners afforded the house an opportunity for a great deal of horse

## WANT DANVILLE COAL FIELD

English Syndicate Seeks Purchase of Thirty Thousand Acres in Eastern Illinois.

## AN OPTION HAS BEEN GIVEN.

New York, March 4.—A syndicate of English capitalists is seeking to acquire coal fields in the Danville section of Illinois with an idea of shipping coal to England. One possible result of the purchase if effected will be the construction of another railroad from Danville to Chicago, 125 miles and shortening the route fifty miles compared with that of the Chicago and Eastern Railroad. This branch would connect the "Big Four" system at Chicago and give that company a through line from that city to Cairo and from there to the Gulf.

John A. Andrews, representative of the syndicate before going on board of the Celtic today admitted he had options, but declined to go into details. The deal covers the purchase of nearly thirty thousand acres of coal lands.

## INSTIGATED THE CRIME

Peter Yerkins Arrested for Complicity in the Murder of Taylor at Monticello, New York.

## BRIBED WIFE TO KILL HUSBAND

Monticello, N. Y., March 4.—Peter Yerkins, one of Alvin Karpis' henchmen, now awaiting trial here for the murder of her husband, was arraigned today for a preliminary hearing charged with complicity in the murder in having instigated the woman to commit the crime.

A daughter of the woman says: "Last September, mamma and I went to see Peter Yerkins and mamma and he had a long conversation. I only heard part of what they said, but I heard him say to her, 'If you will kill Taylor and get him out of the way I will buy the Benson farm and give you the deed.'"

## MURDERED IN MEXICO.

American Named for Cadetship Meets Violent End.

Mexico City, Mex., March 4.—John Week, an American, was murdered today near Zamora. The details are unknown. He was a son of A. K. Week, a banker and a wealthy lumber dealer of Stevens Point, Wis. He had just graduated from the Annapolis institute and was named by Senator Spooner for a cadetship in Annapolis naval academy.

## Dropped the Star.

Princeton, N. J., March 4.—The Princeton university track team received a severe blow today when the faculty announced that E. E. Williams, winner of the mile run in the Indians, winner of the mile run in the Indians, winner of the mile run in the Indians, was dropped from the university on account of failure to pass in his required studies at the mid-year examinations. Williams was the only prominent athlete among the 63 students dropped from the rolls.

## THE PAST YEAR IN GERMANY

HAS BEEN ONE OF OVER PRODUCTION, COLLAPSE AND PANIC GENERALLY.

## SOME LINES ARE IMPROVED

### Exports to United States Show Big Improvement Especially in Iron Products.

Washington, Mar. 4.—Revealing Germany's commercial record for the year Consul General Mason, at Berlin, declares that while few branches of manufacture and trade experience partial recovery the year as a whole belonged to a period of over production, collapse and panic which began in 1900 and has caused the condition still prevalent, wherein prices of food and raw materials are above all other lines in relation to the market values of finished products.

The banks dividends improved decidedly. Textile industries also make a favorable showing. Iron and steel are still depressed though somewhat relieved by shipments to the United States.

Referring to German trade with the United States the consul general calls attention to the notable increase in German exports to this country, amounting to \$14,878,770. The greatest increase was at Düsseldorf, whose exports to the United States rose from \$1,271,553 in 1901 to \$1,850,856 last year. Due wholly to the increased export of iron products during the last four months 1902.

## CRASHED INTO SMOKER.

Collision on Rock Island at Kansas City Injures Dozen People.

Kansas City, Mo., March 4.—An out-going Rock Island train tonight crashed into a smoker of an incoming train that was trying to make a siding just outside of the Kansas City yards. The smoker was thrown from the track, turned over and smashed into kindling wood. A dozen or more persons inside were injured, but no one was killed.

L. A. Bunn, of Preston, Ia., probably fatally injured. W. M. Russell, of Creston, Ia., seriously hurt.

## FAIL TO AGREE.

Miners and Operators of Illinois Adjourn Without Settling Scale.

Springfield, March 4.—The joint conference committee of miners and operators adjourned tonight without having reached a definite conclusion. Resolutions to be embodied in the agreement which is to govern operators and miners for the ensuing year were adopted without material changes from those now in force. The joint committee reports to the convention tomorrow.

## Two Negroes to Hang.

Jefferson City, Mo., March 4.—Supreme court today sentenced Henry Wilson and Bud Gray, negroes, to hang in St. Louis April 8.

## CHINESE REBELS REVENGED

Man Who Informed on Them Lived But Short Time to Enjoy Reward.

## BODY FOUND BADLY MUTILATED.

Victoria, B. C., March 4.—Mail advices from Hong Kong tell of the death of the informant who warned the police of the projected movement against Canton. He was paid a thousand taels for the information, but did not live long to enjoy them, for his body was found hucked to pieces, his ears being cut off and body otherwise mutilated. The men arrested at Hong Kong for complicity in the plot were released after being held a week owing to the lack of evidence. At Canton the prisoners fared worse, several being beheaded and six subjected to prolonged torture.

The Hong Kong Telegraph published a dispatch from Canton saying that 500 imperial troops recently dispatched from Canton were ambushed by the rebels at Yung Ning Pass. The troops carried considerable ammunition and military supplies for the capture of Chi Yuen, which fell into the hands of the rebels. After the encounter with the rebels and subsequent flight of the imperial troops, many soldiers deserted.

## THE WESTERN RAILWAYS WORRIED ABOUT PASSES

Passenger Association Will Consider Question Today.

Chicago, March 4.—The western railway managements are in a quandary regarding what action to take with reference to annual passes issued and sent shippers before the passage of the Elkins law. Many thousands of such passes are outstanding and the opinion is that their use is illegal, and will subject both railroads and users to a fine for violations of the act. It is thought the interstate commerce commission will not refrain from including the outstanding annual passes when they begin to investigate matters. The passenger associations will consider the question tomorrow.

## STAND BY DEMURRER.

Beef Trust Will Not Recede from Position Taken.

Chicago, March 4.—The "beef trust" has decided to stand by its demurrer to the allegations made against it by the federal government, when cases against the packers were begun several months ago and will appeal from the decision overruling it. This alternative was chosen in preference to hearing of testimony of the inner workings of the combine. It is understood the government has a voluminous supply of testimony of every sort bearing on the case and taken in all portions of the country.

## CATTLE STARVE.

Winter Most Trying on Ranges in Many Years.

Topeka, Kas., March 4.—Reports indicate the weather the past week has been more severe on cattle than any for several years. Thousands have perished on western plains. Snow is so deep the grass is beyond reach of the animals, and more starved to death than were frozen. The railroad says blockade in western Kansas shows no sign of being raised for several days yet.

## EULOGIZE GROW.

### Veteran Member of the House From Pennsylvania Retires From Senate.

Washington, March 4.—The Pennsylvania delegation adopted resolutions highly eulogistic of G. Lusha A. Grow, who retired from public life at the close of congress today. The resolutions recited the various important services of Grow since he entered congress nearly half a century ago, and dwelt particularly upon the fact that he is the father of the free homestead law, "under which the public domain has been turned from a wilderness into a world of happy homes."

## RECLAIM THOUSANDS OF ACRES.

Snake River Will Be Dammed and Miles of Canal Built.

Tacoma, Wash., March 4.—Contracts have been let for the damming of the Snake River, 85 miles above Shoshone Falls and the building of 65 miles of canal south of the river, 25 on the north side, not including laterals, which will reclaim 300,000 acres of land under the government irrigation law. The dam will cost \$400,000 or more and the canal \$2,500,000 not including laterals.

## Cuba Will Ratify.

Havana, March 4.—The report on the treaty lately made with the United States was taken up by the senate this afternoon and went over until Friday afternoon after an animated debate occasioned by the efforts at filibustering by the opponents. The merits of the treaty were not discussed. It is evident the ratification will be voted by an ample majority.

## Mitchell Speaks in Iowa.

Des Moines, Ia., March 4.—John Mitchell, president of the United States Workmen of America, visited today to address the Iowa convention now in session. At the convention a telegram was read from Mitchell congratulating the Iowa miners on conditions in this state.

## MUST HAVE HEARING.

House Committee Takes Favorable Action on Injunction Bill.

Springfield, March 4.—The committee on labor of the Illinois house took favorable action tonight on a bill providing that no injunction involving a labor controversy shall be issued without a hearing after due notice is given.

## RAMSEY IN STATEMENT

SAYS THAT A STRIKE ON WABASH NOW MIGHT SPREAD AND SURPASS COAL STRIKE.

## DENIES ALLEGED CONTEMPT

For Laboring Men's Organization, Pointing to Inference of His Friendly Treatment of Them.

St. Louis, Mo., March 4.—President Ramsey today issued a lengthy statement addressed to the employees of the Wabash railroad and others interested, explaining his position in the present crisis. He says the crisis is a grave one, not only to the Wabash and its employees, but also to commercial and industrial interests of the country, as a strike on the Wabash would in all probability spread to a large number of other railroads and would involve not only all organizations of railway employees but other labor organizations and the result might be so serious that the great anthracite coal strike would dwindle into insignificance.

Ramsey then takes up the statement of Grand Master Morrissey, in which the latter said that Ramsey boasted of his contempt for labor organization and that all efforts of the employees to meet him proved futile. Ramsey made point blank denial of his alleged contempt for labor organizations and cites several instances to show his friendship for them.

He denies also that he ever bluffed or cajoled the employees. Morrissey is out with a statement tonight in which he refers in a general way to Ramsey's statement but does not discuss it. He says steps will be taken to dissolve the injunction possibly in a day or two, and that nothing will be done regarding arbitration or other questions under dispute.

## APPLICATION TO DISSOLVE INJUNCTION.

Will Be Made by Trainmen's Attorney Today.

"It looks as if the order of the court was pretty broad," E. T. Irwin of Peoria, Ill., attorney for the Wabash strikers, now on the verge of a strike, made this comment concerning the injunction issued by Judge Adams. E. C. Perry of Cleveland, Ohio, who is also counsel for the trainmen, refused to express any opinion concerning the court's order.

Copies of the petition were being prepared for counsel for the trainmen Wednesday afternoon. Meanwhile, it is believed, there was a general consultation of attorneys and trainmen's officials concerning the employment of a St. Louis legal firm as associate counsel.

Application to dissolve the injunction will be made to Judge Adams early Thursday morning.

A memorandum which accompanies the injunction sets forth that at any time within 15 days from date of the injunction the persons against whom it is directed may apply for its dissolution.

## ARBITRATION SUGGESTED TO OPPOSING FACTIONS.

Ramsey Says There Will Be Time Enough to Consider That Later.

Arbitration was suggested to the leaders in the Wabash railroad controversy Wednesday morning, naming the Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers of America, of which Senator M. A. Hanna is chairman. Joseph Ramsey, Jr., said for the railroad: "When the National Civic Commission (leader) services we will consider the question."

P. H. Morrissey, grand master of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, said for the men: "Our organization is committed to the policy of arbitration." Both gentlemen are familiar with the organization to which the suggestion is made that the Wabash trouble be submitted for arbitration.

## INJUNCTION DENIED

By Detroit Judge Against The Coal Exchange.

Detroit, Mich., Mar. 4.—In the circuit court today Judge Fraser denied a petition for an injunction against the Detroit Coal Exchange so far as the ten respondents who were withdrawn from the exchange a few days previous to the beginning of the action were concerned. The action was brought by the state on the ground that the exchange was an unlawful combination to boost the prices.

## NO NEED OF TROOPS.

People of Colorado City File Protest With the Governor.

Colorado City, Colo., Mar. 4.—A petition signed by six hundred including the mayor and city council, protesting against sending troops here on account of the strike, has been sent to Governor Peabody. The petition claims no violence has been done and that the situation is completely under the control of the proper peace officers.

## Yates Signs Sweden Relief Bill.

Springfield, March 4.—Gov. Yates today signed the bill appropriating \$5000 for the sufferers in Sweden and it is now a law.

## Weather Forecast.

Washington, May 4.—Illinois—Rain Thursday and Friday fresh northeast to east winds.

## Local Weather.

The following is a record of the temperature for 24 hours ended Monday evening at 7 o'clock as reported by Professor J. H. Conrad, government observer:

7 a. m.	37	Highest	59
Noon	48	Lowest	35
7 p. m.	39	Range	24

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CURE Bad  
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# DECATUR BACKS!

**F**EW are the people in Decatur who never have a bad back. Nearly everyone you know has "now and then" an aching back--some suffer severely from backache pains, others have mild attacks that only harass, annoy and seem not serious. Many grievous mistakes are made through back neglect. Ever stop to think that there is reason for the weakness which causes every strain of the back--every cold--every exertion to bring backache pains? There will be less pain--less back trouble when 'tis understood the kidneys are to blame for it all nine times out of ten. The kidneys' constant call for help comes through the back--kidneys are overworked and become easily disordered, unable to perform their proper functions, then it is the back warns you to assist nature and right the wrong that is going on in the system causing impure blood to circulate and breed disease.

## DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS

**CURE**

All Kidney Complications from Common Backache to Dangerous Diabetes. Not an ill in the kidney calendar this great specific will not reach.

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Inflammation of the Bladder, Infrequent and Too Frequent Urination, Excessive Urinary Discharges, Painful Urinary Passages, Dropsical Swellings, Kidney Rheumatism and Resultant Conditions of Uric Acid Poisoning.

### DECATUR PROOF

Mr. W. H. Sinclair of 338 North Mercer street, barber at J. H. Liston's shop on North Main St., says: "In stooping or after a hard day's work my kidneys hurt me so that they felt as though they were being pulled apart. Being on my feet much and the position that I work in I think is the cause of my trouble. I got a box of Doan's Kidney Pills at a drug store and used it, when I was cured."

Mrs. Charles Joins of 251 East Olive street, says: "I suffered from kidney complaint for years and as time went on it became deeper seated and caused me more misery each year. I had a steady aching pain in the small of my back, at times so severe that I was hardly able to get about and do any work. There was too frequent action of the kidney secretions, attended with scantiness and pain, and accompanied by bloating of the limbs. I was treated by a physician and used many remedies but I got no better. I saw Doan's Kidney Pills advertised and I obtained a box at a drug store. I received more benefit from them than from all the other treatment I had taken."

Mr. A. J. Thompson of 928 North Main street, carpenter, says: "For years my kidneys were irregular and caused pains across my back. I used plasters, but they benefited me only for the time being and when their effect wore off the pain returned. There was also the frequent action of the kidney secretions, which contained a heavy sediment. I learned of Doan's Kidney Pills, got them at a drug store and took them as directed and gradually the pain began to leave and the other symptoms to disappear. I continued the treatment until I was cured."



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Mr. W. T. Walmsley of 318 Washington street, who is a painter at the Union Iron Works, says: "I had pains in the small of my back and the kidney secretions were highly colored and painful. No doubt stooping so much at my work and the smell of turpentine and the paint was the cause of a good deal of my trouble. If my condition was not serious it was at least annoying. I saw Doan's Kidney Pills advertised and so highly endorsed by others who had used them that I got a box at a drug store. After taking them a few days I felt better and kept on with the treatment. In a little time afterwards there was no need in taking more, for I had no backache and the kidney secretions were normal in every way."

Mrs. E. Carmine of 428 North Church street, says: "I had a dull pain in the small of my back so severe at times that it made me restless throughout the night and little comfort during the day. It was accompanied with other symptoms which were annoying and distressing. I used other remedies but I got no relief until I tried Doan's Kidney Pills. I consider them the best kidney remedy I ever used. They benefited me in every way more than I hoped for when I began the treatment."

Mr. A. J. Anderson of 435 East Decatur street, telegraph operator, says: "Doan's Kidney Pills are advertised to cure backache, and they did it to perfection in my case. While lifting a large tub of water I think I strained my kidneys. If this was not the case it was certainly the commencement of my kidney troubles. I had a constant pain in my back and sides and stooping or turning about always increased it. At first I paid little or no attention to it, thinking that it would wear off, but I was mistaken, for it got worse right along. I saw Doan's Kidney Pills advertised and got a box at a drug store. I took them as directed, gradually the pain began to leave me, and when I had finished one box it left me entirely."

### MANY ARE UNFIT

The State Board of Charity Scores Jails and Almshouses of Illinois.

MACON IS NOT INCLUDED.

Dewitt County Jail Is Condemned--Telephone Company Sold.

Springfield, March 4--The condition of the almshouses and jails in many counties in southern Illinois is declared to be unsanitary and dangerous to health by the state board of charities in its seventeenth annual report.

Criticism is aroused by the alleged neglect and lack of care, old and unsanitary buildings, bad plumbing, no heat in all, lack of bathing facilities, impure and insufficient supplies of water, and inadequate fire protection.

With the exception of the institutions found wanting in essential comforts the commissioners believe the general conditions are improving in other parts of the state.

Not Fit for Humans.

In dealing with county jails, the report reviews specific cases where the jails are not fit for human habitation. In Madison county there are no bath tubs in the prison, and defective plumbing conveys sewer gas into the building. The conditions in the Pulaski county jail, the report says, could not be worse, the building being in a filthy condition. In the Pope county jail, it is said, the odor is almost overpowering. In Marshall county the light and ventilation in the jail are extremely poor, and the grand jury condemns the building at every session. The Brown county jail is pronounced a veritable death trap, being damp, dark, poorly ventilated, and insecure.

Other counties in which jails are condemned by inspectors of the board are Adams, Alexander, Dewitt, Ellington, Franklin, Gallatin, Hamilton, Johnson, Macon, McHenry, Morgan, Pike, Putnam, Vermillion, Washington, and Winnebago.

Figures in Detail.

The reports give a detailed description of every almshouse and jail in the state, all of which were inspected by the auxiliary county board. At the date of inspection, which was June 30, 1907, the total number of inmates in the almshouses was 8,820. Of this number 2,388 were insane, 334 idiotic or feeble-minded, fifty-four deaf mutes, 154 blind, 265 epileptics, 153 children under 16 years old, and 2,779 not classified, the majority of whom are old and decrepit. The report shows that there were 123 insane under restraint and 124 locked in rooms in the different almshouses. The report also shows that there were 1,284 prisoners in the county jails. Of this number 749 were awaiting trial, 363 were serving sentences, twenty-eight awaiting transfer to the penitentiary, nineteen awaiting transfer to the state reformatory, six debtors, and the helpless of her sex.

### BANKER FELL TO HIS DEATH.

Frank Wilde Plunged From Windmill at Gilman, Ill.

Paxton, Ill., March 4--Frank Wilde, banker of Gilman, fell from the ladder of his windmill tower, thirty feet above the ground, last evening, receiving injuries to the head and body which resulted fatally this morning.

The accident was caused by the breaking of fastenings on the ladder.

TELEPHONE COMPANY SOLD.

Lincoln Mutual Becomes Property of Central Illinois Telephone Co.

Lincoln, Ill., March 4--One of the biggest telephone deals of recent years in this locality was completed Monday night whereby the exchange and business interests of the Lincoln Mutual Telephone company pass into the hands of the Central Illinois Telephone and Telegraph company.

The deal involves a transaction of about \$55,000. The Central Illinois company takes all the shares of stock in the Mutual at \$250 per share and in addition assumes all indebtedness of the company, which includes \$35,000 in bonds, issued recently to pay for the new exchange of the Mutual.

The Lincoln Mutual has over 600 subscribers in this city, and has a new system throughout.

The Mutual was organized nine years ago by local capitalists and has increased from 100 phones to 600. The Central Illinois company has headquarters at Champaign. Sanford Sweeney is president of the company. It is probable that the same company will purchase the lines of the Logan county Mutual company. It is the intention to make the local lines part of a big independent system in central Illinois. The Champaign company has designs on other mutual concerns in other cities in this portion of the state.

Call Toronto Rector.

Lincoln, March 4--The vestry of the Episcopal church has extended a call to A. O. Tarrant, of Toronto, Canada. He visited the church in January and the members were much pleased with him. Bishop Seymour has endorsed the call extended to Rev. Tarrant.

MARRIED.

Metz-Clark.

Judge O. W. Smith was sick yesterday and confined to his home and in his absence Justices O'Mara and McCoy were called to the county court room to perform marriage ceremonies. At high noon Justice O'Mara married George E. Metz and Miss Clara M. Clark, both of Mt. Auburn. A brother of the bride witnessed the ceremony.

Peace-Baker.

Justice J. H. McCoy officiated at the wedding of Alfred Peace of Ohlman, and Miss Nancy Baker of Findlay. The groom is an agriculturist and they will go at once to housekeeping on their farm.

While woman's dislike for woman is proverbial, she rarely declines to aid the helpless of her sex.

### SELECT DECATUR

The Farmers' State Institute Will Meet In This City Next February.

SMALL COMMITTEE DID WORK.

Went at the Undertaking Quietly But Effectively.

They made no noise about it but they did the work. A committee of Decatur gentlemen quietly dropped over to Springfield Wednesday and convinced the officers of the Farmer's State Institute that Decatur was the proper place to hold their next meeting.

After they had succeeded they came home and told what they had done. There was no fuss or feathers about it. From the beginning it was quiet and effective, and it means a whole lot to Decatur, it will bring two thousand people to the city and will attract here many of national reputation in agriculture, horticulture, stock raising, domestic science, and other subjects pertaining to the farm and home. The meeting will be held during the month of February, beginning about the twenty-fifth.

Decatur had only one competitor, Joliet. The prison town, however, was never seriously considered. When it came down to a vote Decatur had thirteen and Joliet five. Later these five men confidentially gave out the information that they voted for Joliet because they were from the north part of the state but that they recognized the wisdom of the majority in placing the meeting in this city.

Decatur's Representatives.

Decatur was represented before the board by Mayor Shilling, J. B. Burrows, Will Ennis, J. E. Given, Sheriff Thrift and Hon. A. J. Gallagher. They appeared before the institute Wednesday morning and Mayor Shilling acted as spokesman. He told the gentlemen what a nice town Decatur was and how glad the people would be to welcome the institute. They were assured the use of the grand opera house and three additional halls for their meetings. The hotel and other accommodations were enlarged upon and the fact made plain that this city was not only the most accessible from all points of the state but that it was amply able to take care of such a gathering as the state institute would attract. Good music was also assured them.

State Senator Bower of Joliet, who is also mayor of that city, was the town's representative and he put forth a strong plea but it was unavailing. Only one vote was necessary and that was 12 to 5 in favor of Decatur.

A Committee Coming.

A committee representing the state institute will shortly visit this city to make an examination of the town and the accommodations and to see if the pledges made them can be fulfilled. This committee will be composed of J. H. Coolidge of Galesburg, E. F.

Wyman, of Syracuse and James Frake of Chicago.

It is a Great Big Thing.

The state institute is a great big thing. The last meeting was held in Bloomington last week. Between fifteen hundred and two thousand visitors were present. Secretary of Agriculture Wilson and other notable men were on the program. Professors from all the leading agricultural colleges of the country were there to speak.

Every department of the farm work was under the direction of an expert. The domestic science department which has become a prominent feature of these meetings was the most ably conducted of any ever held in this section of the state. All of these departments will be enlarged upon next year. "The state institute as compared to the county institute," and a member of the committee "is as the university of Illinois compared to the country schools."

The success in securing this meeting for Decatur was due largely to the efforts of Mayor Shilling, Messrs. Ennis and Given and Gallagher. Messrs. Ennis and Thrift did their part but being interested in the institute itself were not in such good position to work for the city.

For All the Good Being Done We Might as Well Quit Right Now.

SOCIALISM TO WIN IN 10 YEARS.

Harry M. McKee, the socialist who is lecturing in the city this week, spoke last night at Miners' hall on the "Waste of the Present System."

He made the startling statement that 50 per cent of the work done as industries as at present organized or unorganized, is absolutely useless; that society would really be better off without it, that so far as real value to mankind was concerned this army of toilers might as well be employed digging post holes and filling them again.

He presented an array of facts and figures to substantiate his proposition and deduced a very fine argument to show that under socialism all this waste of effort would be abolished and everybody would be happily engaged in doing useful work--contributing to the real benefit of mankind.

Mr. McKee is an earnest and pleasing speaker and unlike those of his kind, never resorts to abuse. He says nobody in the world can afford to be so sweet like the socialist, for he knows he is right and his cause is bound to win. He claims that socialism will win inside of the next ten years.

Mr. McKee will speak tonight and tomorrow night at Miners' hall and on next Sunday afternoon will deliver an address on "Socialism and Christianity" at the Tabernacle. From present indications there will be a large audience in attendance.

The debt we owe to ourselves is generally paid.

A light heart often means a light head.

### TECHNICAL POINT

Is Sprung in the Jameson Divorce Case and the Attorneys Argue Without End.

PLEA OF FORMER ADJUDICATION.

Can the Woman Once Acquitted Be Again Tried on Same Accusation.

In the circuit court Wednesday the time was largely given up to arguments on law points in the Jameson divorce case and when adjournment time came half of the attorneys interested had not been able to say a word and they will probably talk all this forenoon.

After a jury of twelve men had been selected but not sworn, the attorneys for the defense, filed two additional pleas and of course there were arguments to be made and the jury, though not sworn, were sent from the room and did not come back until court adjourned for the day, when Judge Cochran charged them the same as though they had been sworn.

Bertram Jameson is seeking to divorce his wife, Mary Jameson. He charges her with adultery and cruelty. A year ago there was a trial in this case, Jameson then charging his wife with adultery. She filed a cross bill asking that the decree be given on her petition charging Jameson with adultery and drunkenness.

There was a bitterly contested case and the jury returned a verdict that Mary Jameson was not guilty as charged in the cross bill. The court then dismissed both bills for want of equity at the cost of each complainant. The judge's docket at that term shows that a motion for a new trial was then overruled. The plaintiff in the original bill then asked leave to dismiss the bill without prejudice and that was allowed.

Stripped of all the technicalities this motion to dismiss without prejudice means that the plaintiff wished to be placed in the position as though the suit had never been instituted and to have the right to renege the cause on the same charges as were made in the suit originally.

The pleas filed by the defense yesterday after the jury had been accepted was that a mistake had been made at the conclusion of the first hearing in allowing the motion to dismiss without prejudice, the theory being that that motion should have been made before the jury retired. The defense held that the woman, having been once tried by a jury on a given charge and acquitted, could not be put on trial a second time on the same charges. There was another plea, too, that the charge of cruelty was well known at the time the first bill was filed and that that charge should have been incorporated in the first bill.

To the first plea the complainant said that the theory of former adjudication advanced by the defense would hold good in common law, but not in chancery practice.

Justice Courts.

Justice O'Mara yesterday fined Carl Dillehunt \$50 and costs for disturbing the peace. Dillehunt has been arrested a number of times and let off with a light fine on his promise to straighten up. Yesterday he broke into an immigrant car of the Wabash and took an axe out of the emergency case in the end of the car and with this he was parading the levee and raising a disturbance. Yesterday he pleaded for another chance to reform and Justice O'Mara thought a little meditation for about ten days or so in some quiet retreat would be about right, so he had Carl registered for a two week's stay at Sheriff Thrift's hotel.

In the same court Tom Smith paid a city fine of \$3 and costs for being drunk.

Marriage Licenses.

Burton L. Bolron, Mt. Zion.....26

Minnie E. Hector, Mt. Zion.....24

Wm. G. Molt, Mt. Auburn.....24

Charlie M. Clark, Mt. Auburn.....22

Alfred Pearce, Pana.....21

Nancy E. Baker, Findlay.....23

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### DECATUR PROOF

Mr. A. J. Anderson of 435 East Decatur street, telegraph operator, says: "Doan's Kidney Pills are advertised to cure backache, and they did it to perfection in my case. While lifting a large tub of water I think I strained my kidneys. If this was not the case it was certainly the commencement of my kidney troubles. I had a constant pain in my back and sides and stooping or turning about always increased it. At first I paid little or no attention to it, thinking that it would wear off, but I was mistaken, for it got worse right along. I saw Doan's Kidney Pills advertised and got a box at a drug store. I took them as directed, gradually the pain began to leave me, and when I had finished one box it left me entirely."

### RODGERS WAS SLOW.

Came Three Days Late to Meet His Wife and Children.

Saturday night there arrived in Decatur from Lovington Mrs. Frank Rodgers and her three children. She had expected to meet her husband at the station but he came not. She was without means and remained at the station expecting that he would appear in the morning. She explained her situation to the police department, saying that her husband had written her to come to this city that he had a position here and it was his intention to make his home in this city. Sunday and Monday the woman and her children waited in the Central station while the police officers made efforts to locate Rodgers, but without avail. Tuesday morning the woman was given transportation to Prairie Home, where she said she had friends with whom she could temporarily at least, make her home.

Tuesday evening Rodgers arrived at the station looking for his wife. He seemed surprised that she was not there waiting for him.

Rodgers talked to Police Officer Dunnham, who was disgusted to think that the fellow should come at that late day. Dunnham said that the fellow was either thick-witted or indifferent and did not make any great effort to give him any information about the little family which had waited so patiently for the delinquent father.

AS BAILEE.

Fred Baker Stole Some Rugs and is in Jail.

Fred Baker, a boy aged 19 years, who says his home is in Danville, was arrested yesterday on a charge of larceny as bailee.

The boy was employed by the L. B. Price Mercantile Co., a concern which sells floor rugs and other articles on the installment plan. Baker stole some rugs to Williams, a shoe dealer on East Eldorado street. One time he sold two rugs for a pair of boots of which he stood in sore need and at another time he sold three rugs for a pair of shoes and \$3 in cash. To cover these transactions he made out bogus accounts which he surrendered to his employer. Baker was unable to make the payments to keep up the deception and was discovered.

The boy says that he is an orphan and that his pressing needs were what caused him to speculate as he did.

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## To Whom It May Concern

This is to certify that Mr. A. D. Cecil has done paper hanging, carpet renovating and paper cleaning for me and his work has been entirely satisfactory, in fact his carpet renovating and paper cleaning is far superior to any that I have ever had done previous to this time. His paper hanging is second to none. I find Mr. Cecil a pleasant and agreeable gentleman about the house, therefore I most cheerfully recommend him and his work, as I believe him to be a trustworthy, straightforward and upright business man.

MRS. SILAS PACKARD

## GET IN BEFORE THE RAISE!

After April 1st we will be  
obliged to raise the price of  
paper hanging and paint-  
ing, so if you want work  
done at old prices you will  
have to hurry, as we will  
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## POSITION STATED

Principal Ehrman Explains Relation of  
Board of Control to the Ath-  
letic Association.

NO QUESTION AS TO MEANING.

But Members are Slow to Accept  
Principle Laid Down.

Principal Ehrman called a number of the boys of the Athletic association together Wednesday during the sixth hour and made clear the position of the faculty members of the board of control in the management of athletic affairs. The controversy started some time ago over the basketball affair and has been hanging fire ever since. The contention is to see who shall control the affairs of the association, the board of control or the members of the association. The reasons for discontinuing basketball as given by the board are as follows:

First, The season has lasted already over four months and now would be a good time to stop without incurring any more expense and have a good balance in the treasury.

Second, The games take considerable time and a teacher must be present at practice. The teachers feel that they have devoted enough time to this and that for the remainder of the year school work should receive all their attention.

Third, There should be some money in the treasury to start the season next year.

Fourth, The school work of some suffers from the attention given basketball which attention should be given their studies.

While fully understanding these reasons the contention by the board to control affairs does not meet with favor by the pupils. Mr. Ehrman further announced that any action of the association must have the sanction of the board of control before being valid. The money matters must be entirely in the hands of the board and no action by the association in regard to money affairs can be taken by the students, that is the expenditure of money. The board of control may veto any action of the pupils, but any suggestion they wish to make to the board will receive their consideration.

The members may enter into the discussion of any matter and make recommendations to the board and if they see fit the recommendations may be carried out with their sanction. The control of track affairs and all athletic practices will be in the hands of the director, Mr. Hayward. These regulations seem to be somewhat iron clad to the students and they are averse to accepting them. The boys contend that since they have to raise the money they should be the ones to say how it should be expended. Past experience in some cases show that the money matters of the association in the hands of the students were poorly managed, but the members do not feel that they should be held accountable for the had management of previous years. The girls have been requested as to how they want the money they have raised from basketball expended but their general feeling on the subject is the same as the boys. The board of control consists of Mr. Ehrman, Mr. Hayward and Mr. Hansen of the faculty; and for the students, Ralph Bear and Guy Harrison.

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The purchase was promised for March and April delivery. The consignment will consist of 250 tons of 60-pound rails for use on the paved streets and 175 tons of 75 pound rails for use on streets that are not paved. The consignment will be sufficient for relaying the track on Water street from the Webster railroad north to Condit street, on Broadway near the race track on Webster street from the switch south to Carroll street and on the line beyond Carroll street as well as the West Eldorado and East William street extensions.

Mr. Shellabarger said yesterday that as soon as the material arrives, the work on the improvements will be commenced. He could not say what certain portion of the work would be first because the plans of the city in regard to resurfacing on Water and the new paving on West Main street must be taken into consideration. The Traction company will be compelled to get their work out of the way of the pavers and if the city is ready to begin paving before the company has its improvements completed on other parts of the system, the latter must wait.

Working Overtime.  
Eight-hour laws are ignored by those mechanics, little workers—Dr. King's New Life Pills. Millions are always at work, night and day, curing indigestion, biliousness, constipation, sick headache and all stomach, liver and bowel troubles. Easy, pleasant, safe, sure. Only 25¢ at J. E. King's, N. L. Krone's, and McNier & Horrell's drug stores.

Ambition is often the assassin of happiness.

Don't forget the prize waltz at S. of V. Hall Friday night. Every body is invited. Admission 50¢.

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## BUSINESS AND OTHERWISE

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C. J. Stewart is now and has for a number of years been conducting such an establishment at Kokomo, Ind., and in speaking of the plans for Decatur said: "At Kokomo we have a factory with a capacity of 1200 gallons daily. Here we shall establish a plant with a capacity of 800 gallons and will at the start employ eight persons. We will make plain and fancy ice creams, ices and sherbets and frozen puddings. The idea of an exclusive ice cream house seems to be new in this territory but in Indiana there are many of them. The city of Decatur seems to me to present a fine field in itself and then the shipping facilities here are simply unsurpassed. Our territory will be limited only by the rates we secure or what our patrons outside of the city feel that they can pay. We will have our cream shipped to this city. In this connection you must understand that we take special precautions in the material that we use. All of the cream is pasteurized before it is frozen so that there is really no possibility of anything of ill effect getting into the goods we put on the market. The source from which we will get our supply can not be given just now because there are some details which are not completed. Our plant here will be operated by a ten horse power gasoline engine. Our business will not be retail. We will cater to family trade and outside of that do only a strictly wholesale business."

W. M. Stewart who will be the manager of the local concern which will be known as the Decatur Ice Cream company has been a traveling salesman, and for many years has been a regular visitor to this city. Knowing what a success the business had been in Indiana not only in Kokomo, but in other places and recognizing the fact that Decatur possessed unrivaled shipping facilities induced him to broach the subject of establishing a plant in Decatur. He has therefore resigned his position with the house he represents and will give his entire time to the Decatur business.

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## UNION ORGANIZED

Farmers in Mt. Zion Township Take  
Kindly And Enthusiastically to  
The Idea.

ELECT CHAS. SCOTT PRESIDENT.

E. C. Bergfield Explains Plan—Com-  
mittee Named to Complete  
Organization.

The farmers of Mt. Zion met Wednesday in a republican hall and a union was organized.

Mr. E. C. Bergfield of Broadlands was the organizer.

About seventy-five men were present and great enthusiasm was shown throughout the meeting. E. R. Herbert introduced Mr. Bergfield to the assembly, who in his speech stated that everybody also was organized into unions and that the farmers should also be. It would be for the protection of the farmers as they would then be able to hold their own against the grain dealers which they at present as individuals cannot do, as it is almost impossible to get cars in which to ship their grain. In concluding the speaker read the following extract from "Farmers' Union":

From time immemorial the farmers have continued to go it alone in their business matters. Each farmer feels independent because he owns his farm, which in his estimation is his world, and through being able to make his living besides what crops he raises to sell, he is not so dependent on outsiders for his livelihood as those who work by the day or the month. It is true, there is a vast army of farmers.

Mr. Wells, the eminent authority on economics, tells us that "40 per cent of the inhabitants of this country are either directly or indirectly connected with agriculture," that means about thirty million people all told. He also tells us that there are "eight million five hundred thousand farmers, five million, five hundred thousand of them being yeoman or land owners, while there are three million renters. Owing to the great number of farmers and their supposed independence, they have not realized the necessity of being joined together like business men do who are engaged in other lines of business, like sugar, oil, steel, iron, lead, glass, barbed wire, and in fact every business of any importance in the business world, but owing to observation and experience, farmers are beginning to realize that the best results are not obtainable through each one continuing to go it alone.

Mr. Bergfield then presented the two following papers to be signed by the men who wished to join the union:

"We the undersigned farmers of the township of Mt. Zion, county of Macon, in the state of Illinois, join ourselves together into what is known as the 'Mt. Zion Farmers' Union' for the purpose of mutual benefit, strength and protection.

For the purpose of building a grain elevator, we the undersigned hereby severally subscribe for the number of shares set opposite our respective names, to the capital stock of the Mt. Zion Farmers' Union, and we severally agree to pay the said company for each share, the sum of — dollars and we agree among ourselves that no one will subscribe for more than — shares, and that we will vote for a by-law that no one shall hold more than said number of shares, nor will any of us sell our shares so that any person will have more than the said number of shares."

To Prevent Few Controlling.  
The speaker explained that the last clause was inserted to prevent the control of the business falling into the hands of a few men and thus making matters practically as bad as formerly.

Chas. Scott then moved that a committee be appointed to circulate the membership petition.

Optimistic.  
At this point Bud Blalock, who was overflowing with enthusiasm, took the floor and pointed out to the men that organization was the only way of safety. He said that they could if thoroughly organized get Chicago or any other large city on its knees inside of thirty days, and that with Iowa and Illinois they would control the markets of the world.

Mr. J. Henry seconded Mr. Scott's motion about the committee and the following were chosen: J. B. Henry, O. M. Scott, Chas. Thomas, Wm. Pendergast, Frank Craycroft.

Albert Scott then made a short talk in which he said that the grain men had been extravagant in handling the farmer's grain, and that the safest thing to do was to organize a union, but he would not advise them to build an elevator immediately but to wait and see if they could not get a long a great deal better and if not there was plenty of time to build.

The Officers.  
Mr. Bergfield stated that as such a large crowd was present that it would be a wise plan to elect officers. This suggestion carried and the election resulted in Chas. Scott, being elected president and J. B. Henry, secretary. It was then moved that a vote of thanks be extended to Mr. Bergfield for his help.

It is planned to make monthly assessments and to put the money thus acquired into the treasury.

The Members.  
The gentlemen present were asked to sign the membership petition and thus save the committee the trouble of visiting them, and the following signed:

C. H. Scott, E. S. Craycroft, T. C. Stoner, Jr., Clarence Combs, D. A. Blalock, J. A. Cox, M. L. Henry, J. A. Meyers, J. L. Berry, E. C. Scott, J. O. Comden, Daniel and J. H. Weidner, and Peter Dunn. Although not many signed yesterday yet it is thought that most of the farmers around Mt. Zion will eventually join.

The farmer's unions already include about 3000 members and they are rapidly increasing.

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## A BARGAIN COLUMN

8 doz. Wrappers made of best quality Calico, full size and length, 10 inch flounce, collar and yoke trimmed with braid to match, 83 cents each, sold everywhere for \$1.

8 doz. Percal Wrappers, selected patterns, \$1 each, made to sell for \$1.25.

A few Winter Coats left, don't go around with an old style winter coat just because its warm when you can buy a new coat, good style and warmer too, for \$5 and \$7.50, worth \$10 and \$15.

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## Women's Tailor Made Suits

The new Spring Suits are coming in every day and going out almost as fast as we can open them up; styles are correct, fits perfect, cut well, made well of good material; navy blue, and black, plain suits at \$10, better suits, fancy jackets silk lined at \$12.50, \$15 and \$20.

## Domestic Bargains

TURKISH WASH CLOTHS  
100 dozen Turkish Wash Cloths, 2 cents each.

SPRING CALICOES  
Two cases fine spring Calicoes, a full standard cloth, 3½ cents a yard.

ASSORTED GINGHAMS  
One case of 8½ cent assorted gingham for 5 cents a yard.

CHAMBRAY  
Two to 10 yard lengths of chambray, a 15 cent value, at 10 cents a yard.

OUTING FLANNEL  
One case of white outing flannel at 3½ cents a yard.

CRASHARE  
25 pieces of 16 inch roller crashare, excellent tea toweling—2½ cents.

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commerce of the road. Until the court can hear the issues and determine the questions the labor leaders will respect the mandate of the court and no strike will be ordered.

Three in the history of this government a president has been inaugurated on a day other than the 4th of March. The first was George Washington who was inducted into office on April 30 owing to his inability to reach New York the then capital earlier. The other two cases were when March 4 came on Sunday the inauguration ceremonies taking place the next day. Zachary Taylor was inaugurated March 5, 1849, and Rutherford B. Hayes March 5, 1877.

#### TAX-PAYING WOMEN.

Since Representative Gray has declared himself on the question of tax-paying women being allowed to vote the matter assumes national importance. The following from the Boston Transcript will therefore be of great interest:

In speaking of the defeat of the woman suffrage bill, says the Advertiser: "In this commonwealth there are many women tax-payers who have no word whatever to say on questions of debt or taxation." This is very true, but in what manner shall justice be done to these tax-paying women? If the suffrage is given to them because they are taxpayers, the women who are not taxpayers are discriminated against. On the other hand, if all women are given the suffrage, the ranks of the non-taxpayers are immensely increased. In municipal affairs, at least, is not the number of voters who have no personal interests immediately at stake quite large enough as it is? If it be said that this is a country where all men are equal, it must follow that all women are equal. That is to say if the suffrage belongs to women at all, it belongs to all, regardless of whether they contribute directly to the support of the government or not. It is wholly inconsistent to argue that women who pay taxes have a right to vote not possessed by women who do not pay a tax, unless a like discrimination is made in the case of the men. It all comes to this—that the suffrage must be given to all women or none, or that only those men who pay taxes shall be permitted to vote. Here is a dilemma. How is it to be escaped from?

#### A MANLY LETTER.

The president's letter to the Atlanta Constitution is a manly appeal to the good sense of the people of the south. His statement that fitness for office shall be the basis of appointment regardless of the color of the skin is sound and unassailable except by prejudice and race hatred. The south is added over the negro vote. The following from the Peoria Star is an able statement of the inevitable consequence of the course of the south. The Star is not a republican paper. It says that several states have absolutely deprived the colored man of all right at the polls. It is needless to say that this will result in returning him to slavery. There is no other possible outcome. The whole nation is pledged against this course. It would be the height of folly to allow it. The leaders of the colored race are making an earnest effort to elevate their fellows by teaching him to economize, by educating him along the lines of industrial effort, and in showing him that he can only be independent by accumulating. But if he is deprived of the right at the ballot box it will carry all other rights with it. He will be at the mercy of his past masters and they will speedily reduce him to vassalage. In most of the southern states, now, the colored tenant is unable to dispose of any part of his crop or sell the smallest portion of the produce of his hands until he has paid all the charges of his landlord down to the uttermost cent. These charges can be swollen by exactions for interest, for supplies, for advances, and for everything else that the ingenuity of man can devise and the unfortunate tenant must pay everything demanded of him before he can devote a penny to his own needs. These laws have grown more exacting, with the flight of years, and every effort made to lift the burden has been defeated by the united protest of the white element. It is a bitter question, but this is certain, that justice must in the end be done and only by doing justice can the nation prosper.

#### FUNERALS.

Lloyd Walters. The funeral of Lloyd Walters was held Wednesday afternoon from the residence, 349 North Jasper street. The burial was in Greenwood cemetery.

Druggists and doctors will tell you that a remedy recommended to cure only Rheumatism or Gout is reliable. Such a remedy is Sennwald's Prescription FOUR THOUSAND. \$1.00 a bottle. For sale by druggists.

## HOME SUSTAINED

Investigation of Roberts Case at Mattoon Results Favorably to the Board of Trustees.

#### HER CONTRACT FOR CARE

Was Made With the Lexington Lodge—Some of the Evidence.

Mattoon, March 4.—Special to the Herald.—The investigation of the Mrs. Roberts' case at the Odd Fellows' Old Folks' Home, came to an end today after the presentation of her side of the case.

The trial board made up their decision but decided to withhold it from the public until the next meeting of the board of trustees in April.

The decision sustains the trustees of the home and holds that the lodge at Lexington must take care of Mrs. Roberts. It is held that her contract was with that lodge and not with the board of the trustees of the home.

The evidence today was strongly in favor of Mrs. Roberts but not sufficient to overcome the strong case made out yesterday by the board of trustees of the home.

#### THE TRUSTEES' SIDE

Testimony Showed Mrs. Roberts Was Quarrelsome and Profane.

The trial board consisted of Grand Master Charles S. Harris, trustees, C. D. Brainerd, John M. Miner, W. T. Tinsley, H. D. Brannoueller, C. F. Mansfield; Trustees, Mrs. Nellie L. Harris, Mrs. Maude Haywood, Mrs. Katherine Hoefler, Mrs. Jennie Tickner and Mrs. Kugy, the latter absent and Trustee Easley was called away after the trial began.

The testimony in favor of the home is given by the Mattoon Star as follows:

Trustees Charles M. Lytle took the stand and told of the trouble from the first, stating that Mrs. Roberts had been offensive to other members of the home, and especially so to those older than she. Mr. Gray, both of whom were helpless and unable to care for themselves. She had protested against their being admitted to the home, and made a protest to everybody. The two she objected to were "Grandma Saunders" and Mr. Gray, both of whom were helpless. His testimony was regarded as merely introductory and he related no difference that had arisen. Mr. Lytle also related of the meetings of the trustees and the different times the case had been discussed.

D. E. Baldwin, ex-superintendent of the home, told of his trouble with Mrs. Roberts, and letters he had written of the troubles of the place were identified by him. Mr. Baldwin related the language used by Mrs. Roberts and it was not the same used by a Sunday school superintendent in opening a class service. In fact it cannot be printed. Mrs. Roberts was rather profuse in describing the kind of people she met and had volunteered to tell Mr. Baldwin that he was a "— idiot. On cross examination Mr. Baldwin said he believed the lady and sister was wrong in her deductions but, perhaps, he was prejudiced and not competent to testify.

Mrs. Kate Baldwin corroborated the statements of her husband and said Mrs. Roberts might be a sympathetic person, but the language described by witness did not go to prove the sympathy was running in deep channels.

Not Asking Salvation.

Rev. G. D. Kent told of his interviews with Mrs. Roberts, and the testimony as taken by a short hand reporter does not show Mrs. Roberts was asking for eternal salvation while those conversations were in progress.

Catherine Hampton, Mrs. John Davidson, Annie Erens and Mary Brooks told of the conduct of Mrs. Roberts at the home, and their stories related the use of language by the lady, is almost impossible to believe ever fell from the lips of an old and feeble woman. In the parlor, in the hall, anywhere the stories told by the witnesses called to prove the course of the trustees, were terrible, and either the witnesses were stultifying themselves or the woman is mad.

All the inmates of the home related practically the same story. The pages upon pages of manuscript are the same time and place of the occurrence being the only distinguishable features. Mrs. Roberts speaks but one language and, if the stories related by the people around the home are true, it is well, as she has arrived at a proficiency in the art of swearing that would make a sailor commit suicide, and a drive a pirate to an insane asylum.

One witness told of the woman's abuse of her husband, and all had a good word to say for the old gentleman, professing to believe he was a good man, and would have been a pleasant companion had he been single and not made the fatal mistake of making a second matrimonial alliance.

Trustees Tell.

The trustees took the stand in their own behalf. Mrs. Roberts and her husband were residents of the city of Lexington, Ill., but for six or seven years had been living at Eureka Springs, Ark. They asked to be allowed to enter the home and asked for the non-indigent members rate, and referred the trustees to the lodge at Eureka Springs. The answer from there was not favorable. This letter was to the effect that Mrs. Roberts seeking admission to the home was accountable for only on the ground that she had lost her reason, and said her request for endorsement was a request to the lodge to stultify itself in endorsing her. They charged that she was trying to perpetrate a fraud on the home. The letter further says:

"She says she has lived in Illinois since 1855, when she knows that she has lived here for the last 6 or 7 years. She says she has no income or property, when we know that they have a plenty of money and she knows we know it too. Those who have done their business here and are in a position to know say they have several thousand dollars and we all know that when they left here they took their home, for \$750, and several other pieces of property for which they got the cash.

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"We cannot therefore endorse the answer to the questions put to the applicant as being true."

"As Brother Roberts has been absent from his lodge in Illinois, he may induce his lodge to endorse the application if they make the representations to them as they have to us."

#### Bad Temper.

After the death of her husband the woman had no claim on the home and it was decided to refuse her further residence there. This was owing to her intolerable temper and behavior, her language being of the vilest and most filthy character and such that it is unprintable as given in the evidence. The board of trustees showed her every possible consideration. The letter quoted from Arkansas is only one of the many received. The evidence showed that the charge that the board of trustees had not accepted money from the woman since her husband's death although this was one of the charges made.

#### TO ENCOURAGE AGRICULTURE

County Superintendent Jones Suggests To the Boys an Idea That Will Benefit Them.

#### CAN GET SEED CORN FREE.

During the last few years the study of agriculture has been gradually working its way into our schools.

In the matter of school gardens some counties in the state are ahead of Macon, but I believe the interest of the farmers of Macon, in the real essentials and promotion of the best agricultural conditions is not below the best.

We have an annual county farmers' institute and I see no reason why the common schools, so closely connected with the farmer, should not enter to some degree in that occasion.

By taking advantage of the following, the boys of this county can do more this coming year in practical agriculture on the farm than can be done in twice the time spent in studying how many teeth a cow has or how many toes a chicken has, about side-bone and splints, etc.

Any boy under 18 years of age, who will send his name and address and four cents to pay postage on corn to A. S. Hostetter, secretary, Springfield, Illinois, will be furnished a package of seed corn consisting of 500 grains of some pure bred variety grown by a member of the Illinois Corn Breeders' association.

This is done on condition that the corn be grown by the boys as per the directions upon the package and a sample exhibited at the county Farmers' institute next year. Prizes will be offered for the best exhibits.

Varieties suitable to the latitude of the applicant will be sent to each one. The breeder and donor of the corn, the name of the variety, the score card of the Illinois Corn Growers' association, to assist in selecting ten ears for exhibit, and the directions for planting and keeping records of same will all be printed on the package containing the seed.

All names must be sent in before the first of April that the seed may be received in time for planting. Trusting that parents and teachers will encourage this and that many of the boys will take advantage of the same, and believing that it will mean much for the boys, much for the county institute, and for the improvement of corn culture, I am,

Yours very truly,

A. A. JONES,

Co. Supt. Schools.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL INSTITUTE.

Macon County Workers Gather At Baptist Church Tomorrow.

A Normal Sunday school institute will be held Friday and Saturday at the Baptist church, Mrs. M. S. Lamoreaux, state primary superintendent, and W. C. Pearce, international field worker, will be present. The program for the two days follows:

Friday Morning.

8:30—Seek a Blessing, Rev. S. H. Bowyer.

9:45—Normal Bible Lesson, The Book of Acts, IV, C. Pearce.

10:15—What is Worth While in the Primary Class, Mrs. Lamoreaux.

10:45—Round Table Conference, topic, "The Superintendent," led by P. P. Laughlin.

Friday Afternoon.

1:45—Prayer for Sunday School Workers, Rev. Henry Ross.

2:00—Sunday School Evangelization, W. C. Pearce.

2:45—The Lesson as a Story for Little Children, I. What is a Good Story? Mrs. Lamoreaux.

3:30—The Normal Training Department, Prof. T. W. Galloway.

4:00—The Crisis of a Life, Mrs. Lamoreaux.

Friday Evening.

7:15—Service of Song and Praise, Rev. F. W. Burnham.

7:30—The Decatur Township Sunday School Officers' Association, Hon. Owen Scott.

7:45—The Sweet Doctrine of the Second Mile, Mrs. Lamoreaux.

8:15—The World's Greatest Syndicate, W. C. Pearce.

8:45—Social Hour.

Saturday Morning.

9:15—Prayer for Young Disciples, Rev. H. L. Strain.

9:45—S. S. Management—A Discussion, led by G. E. Hargis.

10:15—Vexing Questions, Mrs. Lamoreaux.

10:45—Normal Lesson, Doctrines of Christ, W. C. Pearce.

Saturday Afternoon.

1:45—Prayer for Better Work in all Sunday Schools, John F. Weeks.

2:00—Story Work, concluded, II. How to Prepare a Story, Mrs. Lamoreaux.

2:45—Written Work in the Sunday School, W. C. Pearce.

3:30—Round Table Conference, "The Teacher," The Rev. W. F. Davidson.

PERSONALS.

J. G. Keller is in Louisiana on business.

Mrs. Jannie Eymann of Haristown was operated upon Wednesday at St. Mary's hospital and is doing nicely.

R. O. Smith of 318 East Washington street, was operated upon at the hospital Wednesday.

Little Gladys Baker who has been ill with chorea at her home on South Webster street is improving.

## The Best Biscuit Baked

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Sold only in In-cr-seal Packages

NATIONAL BISCUIT COMPANY

#### ORGANIZER WAS HERE AGAIN

G. E. Hemick Pays a Visit to the Grocers' Association—Reports from the State Convention.

#### THANKS FOR THE HELLO GIRLS.

A meeting of the grocers' association was held at the rooms on William street last night and there was a good attendance. G. E. Hemick of Springfield, was present. He organized the local grocers seven years ago, and during the evening he made a brief address.

The association adopted a resolution thanking the telephone girls for their interest in the efforts of the association to secure better service. E. C. Key, chairman of the Decatur delegation to the recent state convention made a report of the proceedings of that body, giving a clear and concise account of the more important matters that engaged attention. He referred to the fact that one of the best addresses given was that made by George Mueller of this city, on the subject of freight rates.

The association decided to have cards hung in the stores of the members of the association. These cards show the object of the association are largely in the interest of the consumer.

It is a wise woman who can smile at a compliment and then forget it.

#### Blood Was Poisoned

A Happy Cure After the Use of Two Bottles of

## Paine's Celery Compound

#### The Spring System Cleanser

Health is that natural state of the whole body in which the entire nervous system is so perfectly regulated that it can, without undue effort, perform its almost numberless and all-important duties.

The blood as it courses through the body must bear nourishment and life to poisons and death.

In the spring season thousands around us suffer from various forms



Judge P. P. Desveraine

One of the First Citizens of Cuba, of blood diseases and many are unexpectedly cut down by death.

Your blood is surely filled with waste and poisonous matters when you suffer from boils, pimples, blackheads, eczema, salt rheum, erysipelas or itch. When nerve force is low, when you suffer from insomnia, lassitude or neuralgia, be assured your blood demands purifying and cleansing.

Paine's Celery Compound quickly banishes from the blood all poisons; it supplies the proper elements for enriching the vital fluid, building tissue and for the general repair of the whole system. Try its renovating and life giving virtues at once if you would be made well, strong and happy. Judge P. P. Desveraine, of Havana, says:

"While I was in New York I read about Paine's Celery Compound and never thought I would get well. I only took one bottle of that wonderful discovery and found myself with better vigor and energy."

Mr. Thos. Young, Elmora, Pa., says: "I suffered very much from blood poisoning, and after doctoring for two months with my physician and not receiving any good results, I tried Paine's Celery Compound. The use of two bottles completely cured me. All my thanks are due to Paine's Celery Compound."

## VISIT THE A. D. CECIL Wall Paper and Carpet Co.

We have a new line of carpet and wall paper samples, second to none in price and quality. We also clean wall paper, renovate carpets, and all manner of carpet work. Get your orders in early, before the busy season. All orders promptly attended to. First class work guaranteed.

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## DIAMOND CROWN ROLLED OATS EAT IT FOR BREAKFAST AT ALL GROCERS

## IT'S NOT WHAT YOU PAY, BUT WHAT YOU GET FOR WHAT YOU PAY, THAT COUNTS.

Following the steps of our predecessor, (Spencer & Lehman) who built up the largest and best Implement House in the state of Illinois by selling GOOD GOODS at fair prices, we continue to sell the old and reliable lines, which always give satisfaction. The John Deere and Canton Plows, Deere and Black Hawk Planters, Peter Schuttler and Moline Wagons, Genuine Morgan Spaders. A full line of fine and medium grade VEHICLES. We carry the largest and most complete stock of Repairs and extras in Macon county.

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DECATUR, ILL.

## Cold-go WILL MAKE YOUR Cold-go IN ONE DAY. 25c, ALL DRUGGISTS.

## DON'T DIE UNTIL YOU TALK WITH COWAN

He Sells the Best.

MEETINGS.  
Regular meeting of Coeur De Leon Lodge No. 17 K. of P. Work in the rank of esquire this (Thursday) night.  
The regular monthly meeting of the D. A. R. will be held Thursday March 5, 8 p. m. with Mrs. E. L. Pegram, 864 West North street.  
Degree Staff Progress Rebekah lodge will meet in their hall this (Thursday) evening at 7:30 o'clock for drill.  
The ladies of the German Sewing circle will meet Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. John Schulz, 656 West King street.  
Meeting of Lincoln Tent, Modern American in Odd Fellows' hall, East Main street this (Thursday) evening.